

I have been informed that the FCC is considering preempting Indiana State Telephone Privacy laws in favor of adopting one lower national standard. I object to this, and understand that you are taking comments from the public on this proposal until November 22. My comments are:

1. The FCC should NOT implement any proposal that would lessen Indiana's Telephone Privacy law protections.

2. Indiana's Telephone Privacy law has improved my time at home by nearly eliminating unwanted telemarketing calls that had been disrupting my household at all hours of the day and night.

3. Within a month after the new Indiana Telephone Privacy law went into effect, unwanted telemarketing telephone calls were nearly eliminated. It went from 5 to 9 calls per day to 12 calls per week. Within another two months, the calls stopped almost entirely. An occasional call slips through now, but is a rare occurrence - rather than the bombardment we had been experiencing prior to the enactment of the new law.

4. I feel that not only MY quality of life, but that of every Indiana citizen has been enhanced by the enactment of the State of Indiana's Telephone Privacy law. There are many of us who suffer with high blood pressure and other medical problems that were exacerbated when we had to cope with the constant barrage of unwanted telephone solicitations. To not have to experience that frustration has been a wonderful blessing. Rather than bringing Indiana's law DOWN to some level that you feel would be a good national standard, wouldn't it be better if you brought the national standard UP to reflect the laws passed in Indiana? I know that people nationwide would benefit from the blessed relief of not having to cringe every time the phone rings. I feel that it is very important to leave Indiana's Telephone Privacy law's in effect.

Thank you kindly,  
Martha L. Baxter  
2632 E. Quail Run  
Marion, IN 46953